

Wilson Votes to Create Jobs and Help Small Businesses

HIRE Act Passes House, Heading to Senate Washington, DC - Today, Rep. Charlie Wilson (OH-6) voted to create hundreds of thousands of new small business and construction jobs this year, spur private sector hiring, and help rebuild our crumbling infrastructure. The bipartisan Hiring Incentives to Restore Employment (HIRE) Act is part of a larger Congressional agenda to create jobs and strengthen our economy.

"American families don't want a handout, they want jobs," Wilson said. "I'm proud to have voted for this legislation that will not only help create hundreds of thousands of jobs, but it's fully paid for and won't add a dime to our deficit."

The HIRE Act includes a payroll tax holiday for businesses that hire unemployed workers and an income tax credit of \$1,000 if they retain those employees. It also includes tax cuts to help small businesses invest, expand, and hire more workers. In addition, there are provisions to make it easier for states to take up infrastructure projects such as school construction and energy retrofitting, and an extension of the Highway Trust Fund that allows for billions of dollars in infrastructure development around the country.

"The Recovery Act was a first step," Wilson said. "This new legislation builds on that effort. I am especially glad that this legislation recognizes the key role that small businesses will play in our economic recovery."

The Recovery Act has already saved or created over 2 million jobs - rebuilding our infrastructure and economy for global competitiveness. Through the Recovery Act, 95% of working Americans continue to see the benefit of one of the largest tax cuts in history in every paycheck.

The HIRE Act now heads back to the Senate. If it is passed there, without changes, it will be sent to the President for his signature.